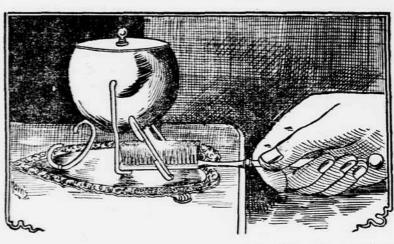
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## Tooth Powder Holder and Distributor, The Novelty of the Season,



channels for our special for the next week. Got exclusive control of the most fetching novelty produced this season-a patented Tooth Powder Holder and Distributor. By a simple contrivance the tooth powder is evenly distributed over the tooth brush. As the illustration shows, you insert the brush in swinging contrivance, which, when pushed back, lets down the required amount of

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footline. Many of the fo'castle hands make pets of rats during a long voyage, and it is astonishing how easily they can be tamed and made to perform tricks. When a professional catcher comes aboard for a general raid there is always a frantic rounding up of these pets to get them out of harm's way until the battle is over."

Tucks and Plaits.

It is the extreme delicacy of the new cloths which has initiated the movement

toward tucks and plaits in skirts; a move

ment which is proceeding with such vigo

that something new appears every day, an

it is difficult to foresee the end. For the

present, oddly enough, these plaits and

tucks are far more seen in day than in

evening gowns, although for evening wear

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new the bait and take off the strings, and, as a general thing, we catch all that the cages will hold.

"As long as the creatures have enough water to drink," continued the captain, "they don't give the crew any particular trouble and keep out of sight. But thirst makes them desperate, and then they become an unmitigated nuisance, and will go boldly anywhere in search of a drink. I have known them to invade the fo'castle in such numbers that they drove the sallors to the deck, and at other times I have seen several hundred make a combined rush for a water barrel. It would surprise most people unaccustomed to seafaring life to know that water is usually kept in the hold of cargo ships especially for rats. It's done to keep them below, and if for any reason the supply runs short there is sure to be trouble.

"I said just now that when the creatures were thirsty they would go anywhere, and I mean it to the letter. They will eller them will eller the surply runs short here the sure were thirsty they would go anywhere, and I mean it to the letter. They will eller the surply runs short here the sure were thirsty they would go anywhere, and I mean it to the letter. They will eller the sure to be trought and the sure of the letter. They will eller the sure of the sure of the letter. They will eller the sure of th WE TAKE YOUR OLD WHEEL. Here's the Chainless

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## RATS ON SHIPBOARD.

Lack of Water to Drink Makes Then

From the New Orleans Times-Democrat, Chatting with friends, the captain of big freight steamer now taking a cargo at this port told some queer stories about rats. "I have the ship cleaned out by professional rat catchers whenever we touch at Liverpool," he said, "and between times we try to keep them down by trapping, but it's hard work. We don't dare to use poison. If we did, the hold would soon be full of dead rats and the stench would breed a fever. Our traps are of the wirecage pattern, and considerable craft has to be used in setting them, for a ship rat is a very cunning beast, and he will steer clear of decoys that his landlubber brothers walk into with their eyes wide open. If we siminto with their eyes wide open. If we simply baited the traps in the ordinary way and left them about in the hold we wouldn't catch a dozen a year. Our plan is this: On the first night we open the trap doors and tie them in that position with bits of string, so they can't possibly spring shut. Then we put scraps of old cheese inside and leave them until the following evening. That's to reassure the rats that the strange bire contrivances are perfectly harmiess wire contrivances are perfectly harmiess and that they may enter in with a certain-ty of getting out again. Next night we re-

## REAL ESTATE GOSSIP

A Profitable Return Upon Property for Investment Purposes.

PROGRESS IN SEWER EXTENSION PLAN

Improvements in Several Sections of the District.

VARIOUS MATTERS

The upward tendency of values in real estate is attested by a good many exam-ples, and no doubt they would be as a whole more impressive to the average mind if they showed sudden and remarkable jumps. While there are instances of fortunes being made in real estate in the course of a comparatively brief time, yet, after all, such instances do not by any means représent the average experience in this or in any other line of business. There is something theatrical in quick turns, and when they occur much are made of them and they are frequently mentioned in real estate circles. The gradual accumulation of money through profitable investments. while substantial enough, has not the glamour about it that insures it the main place in the attention of the public for any length of time. An instance of what may length of time. An instance of what may be termed a rather common experience is told by J. Eakin Gadsby, real estate broker. About ten years ago he sold a block of ten lots on Georgetown Heights for 60 cents per square foot. Since then he has sold the same property on an average of nearly once each year, and each transaction showed an advance in the price of 5 cents per foot. The last sale he made the price was \$1 per foot. The only feature about this \$1 per foot. \$1 per foot. The only feature about this series of transactions which is unusual is the frequency of the sales of one piece of

#### property. No Tenement Sections.

One of the features of the building regulations of the District is the provision which is made in various sections to guard against the tendency, which is a perfectly natural one in view of the prices which are sometimes paid for land, to get out of the land all that is possible. In many cases those who are planning improvements think the only way is to occupy most of the ground. In this view the larger the building and the smaller the lot, so much greater will be the return upon the money invested.

"I said just now that when the creatures were thirsty they would go anywhere, and I mean it to the letter. They will climb the rigging like monkeys, and it is a common thing for them to go clear up to the topsails looking for the rainwater that accumulates in the bight or fold of furled canvas. Last time I was in port I saw a green sailor get the seare of his life. He had gone aloft to shake out the topgailant, and, as he did so, four enormous rats sprang out and ran up one arm, across his shoulders, and down the other side. He was so startled that he let loose all holds and would certainly have failen to the deck if he hadn't providentially caught on the footline. Many of the fo'castle hands make pets of rats during a long voyage, and it is It is the prevailing opinion, however, as It is the prevailing opinion, however, as shown by the building regulations, not only in this District, but in many cities of the country, that considerations of public health are of higher importance than the financial benefit of the individual property owner, even granting that buildings of this sort are in the end profitable. For this reason the regulations here require that there shall be left a space between the rear of a building and the back line of the lot. It is also forbidden to erect dwellings in alleys of less than thirty feet wide, so that it is impossible to have narrow courts lined with tenements, a situation which has been shown to be productive of disease and crime in other cities.

#### Climate and Architecture.

If, however, there was no other consideration that that of the climate that would be sufficient to confirm the wisdom of the policy of wide streets and abundant space, which has prevailed here since the foundation of the city.

While the heat of the summer is not as

While the heat of the summer is not as excessive as some people seem to imagine, and as the general reputation of the city as a summer residence place would seem to imply, yet the winter season is comparatively a short one and mild weather prevails here for the greater part of the year. It is wise to recognize this climatic condition both in selecting a location for a home and in planning one.

In many instances too little regard is paid to the local situation, and houses that are comfortable in some respects as a winter home are not desirable as a place to live in during the summer. It is a mistake, for example, not to provide an air space between the roof and the upper floor, and it is also a bad arrangement to have the interiors so designed that it is impossible to get a direct circulation of air through the house. There is no doubt that if in these comparatively minor details houses were built with the regard texts. evening gowns, although for evening wear they would be far less inconvenient.

A novelty is fringed lace tinted to the color of string. It is at present expensive, and it cannot be recommended to any but those who can afford to indulge in the fleeting whims of fashion. Far better is it to purchase a piece of good lace, which is always pleasing to the eye, even if not considered by the ultra particular as "quite the thing." This fringed lace is also made in that coarse Maltese style, which is in appearance much like yak lace. It is distinctly smart in conjunction with black, but it is not so happy when used as a trimming on light gowns, the coarse, stiff fringe being somewhat ineffective. that coarse Maltese style, which is in appearance much like yak lace. It is distinctly smart in conjunction with black, but it is not so happy when used as a trimming on light gowns, the coarse, stiff fringe being somewhat ineffective.

Thousands of situations have been obtained through the want columns of The Star.

the question of approving the availability of Washington as a place of summer resi-dence if better judgment ruled with house builders and house designers.

The Sewage Disposal Project. The opening up of the ground through the Capitol Park, which has been in progress during the past year, has attracted considerable public attention, but perhaps few who look down into the yawning depths of the immense trench, which can be seen

who look down into the yawning depths of the immense trench, which can be seen from the street cars, realize that it is only a small part of the scheme which was adopted about eight years ago and which, when it is completed, will give to this city a modern system of sewage disposal. The existing system was inadequate to the needs of the growing population and was defective. During the past eight years a little over a million of dollars have been expended in carrying out the project, which, it is estimated, will in the end cost over four millions. At the present rate of progress it is believed it will require twenty-four years to complete this system, the yearly expenditure during that period having averaged \$131,875.

The sewers of the city as originally laid out discharged into Rock creek on the west, and from the business portion of the city into the B street sewer, lying north of the Mall, which emptied into the open canal back of the White Lot. The northern and a portion of the eastern part of the city drains into the Tiber creek sewer, which practically runs down the line of North Capitol street, passing under the Botanical Garden, thence along Canal street and emptying into James Creek canal at Gand south Capitol streets.

The northeastern portion of the city drains into the large boundary sewer running southeasterly along Florida avenue and emptying upon the Anacostia flats, south of Benning road. A few smaller sewers also empty directly into the Anacostia river, in the southeastern portion of the city.

the dam of the Chesapeake and Ohio Cana Company the sewage which discharged into that stream was practically held in a basin without current, to putrefy and decompose. The B street sewer is constructed on the bed of the old canal, which is practically level and in which the tide ebbs and flows. It empties into B street canal, so called, which, like James Creek canal, is a body of stagnant water, and the sewage matter collects upon the water in a gelatinous, putrefying mass, in some cases two feet thick. The Tiber creek sewer is practically in the same condition as the B street sewer, although by placing tidal gates at the outlet its condition has been somewhat improved. The James Creek canal is particularly offensive on account of the locality it traverses, running well up into the city, and it exercises a most damaging effect upon property values in that section of the city. The large boundary sewer, as stated, emptles upon the Anacostia flats, which are covered by water at high tide. At low tide the sewage and putrescible matter are deposited over the flats in a manner most favorable for decomposition, with resulting bad effects upon the surrounding neighborhoods.

The adopted plan for sewage disposal contemplates the construction of intercepting sewers around the borders of the city, which will collect the sewage which now flows into the various places above de-scribed and carry it all to the foot of New scribed and carry it all to the foot of New Jersey avenue southeast, where it will be carried across the Anacostia river by an inverted siphon and allowed to flow through sewers to be constructed upon the south side of the river and discharged at such point down the Potomac where it will not exercise any deleterious effects.

The intercepting sewer along the western boundary of the city has already been constructed as far as 20th street northwest. The intercepting sewer along the southeastern portion of the city is now under contract. There are two large trunk sewers of the system, one running across the

eastern portion of the city is now under contract. There are two large trunk sewers of the system, one running across the White Lot and through F street, and the other running up across the Capitol grounds, which have been constructed.

One of the valuable features of the proposed work will be the construction of dykes, which will prevent the flooding of the portions of the city in time of high water or gorging of the Potomac by ice.

As an Investment.

tion's capital is very general throughout the country, and this is stimulated by visitors who come here from all sections, and go back and tell about the attractiveness of the city. It is the purpose of the Washington city. It is the purpose of the Washington and Suburban Real Estate Company, recently organized, with Mr. Allen W. Mallery as the president, to make the interest in this city displayed by the people of the country of a more substantial character by calling their attention to the advantages of Washington real estate as an investment. In addition to the transaction of a general local real estate business, the company intends to buy and subdivide Washington properties and then advertise them all over the Union.

#### A Business Improvement. The lower floor of the building at the

outhwest corner of 7th and I streets northwest has been remodeled by Mr. George W. Reinhardt, the owner of the property, from plans made by Ben. B. Bradford, architect It is the purpose of Mr. Reinhardt to take in the stores adjoining on the south at an early date, and turn the entire space, to-gether with the second floor, into one store.

Major Fuger's Residence. Ground has been broken for the residence which Major Frederick Fuger, U. S. A.

will erect on 16th street, near the corner of T street, after plans prepared by Spelden & Speiden, architects. It will be three stories and basement in height, with a frontage of twenty feet and a depth of frontage of twenty feet and a depth of seventy feet, and will contain twelve rooms and three bath rooms. There will be electric lights, electric bells, speaking tubes, clothes chutes, etc. The heating will be by hot water. The front is to be of mottled Roman brick to harmonize with the adjoining residence now being erected for Dr. Kober, by the same architects, thus making an attractive corner and quite an addition to that section of the city.

#### INDIAN GOLD BRICKS.

Unexpected Guile of the Gentle Central American.

From the New Orleans Times-Democrat. "It is a common impression that the Central American Indian is singularly hones and free from guile," said a traveler who came up on the last banana boat, "but don't you believe a word of that story. I recently made a muleback trip to the Olancha district, in northwest Honduras, my parti-cular purpose being to take a look at the famous old placer diggings on the Guayape river, I spent a week or so in the region ar was especially interested in the native Indians who live along the banks of the stream and who regard the placers as a sort of family pocket book, from which they help themselves as they please. When a household needs anything that can't be hunted or fished—in other words, that has to be bought at the store—the women sally out with their bateas' or wooden bowls and proceed to wash as much gold as is required for the purchase. The metal they secure in that way is usually in the form of minute grains, hardly as large as the head of a pin, but occasionally they find little nuggets, and that brings me to the point of my story. The day before I left I was at the principal store of the district talking to the proprietor, or 'tienderos,' when a typical Olancha Indian shambled in and sat down on the floor. I attempted to question him about the diggings, and presently be untied a corner of his neckcloth and showed me three small, fantastically shaped nuggets, which he said his wife had lately found. It occurred to me they would make interesting souvenirs mounted as scarfpins or bangles, and after some hagging I bought the lot for 44—they weighed altogether something under a quarter of an ounce. I dians who live along the banks of the stream

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FIRST FLOOR-Four VERY LARGE rooms; finished in HARD WOOD; the parlor is handsomely decorated in CRIMP; GOLDEN OAK mantel; tiled open fire

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has a fine cabinet mantel; a very LARGE WINDOW; hand CARVED open stairway; COZY corner finished with fret work. This akes a LIVING ROOM, which SO MANY

DINING ROOM-Extra large; very light; tiled open fireplaces; cabinet mantel; decorated in red and BURLAP. These three large rooms can be thrown into one or made private.

KITCHEN-Completely equipped; butler's

SECOND AND THIRD FLOORS-Five BIG bed rooms; very high ceilings; large closets; tiled bath, porcelain tub; stationwashstand; BEST open plumbing; ODWORK finished in HARD OIL (only the best wood can be finished in hard oil).

CELLAR-Under whole house; front and back entrance; laundry; servant's closet; blcycle room; heating guaranteed.

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THE THOROUGHFARE TO SOLDIERS' HOME, WASHINGTON'S FINEST DRIV-ING PARK, MAKING A CONTINUOUS DRIVEWAY FOR ELEGANT TURNOUTS THERE IS MORE MONEY BEING SPENT IN THIS SECTION TODAY FOR IM-PROVEMENTS THAN ANY ONE PART OF THE CITY

The history of all the large cities teach us that the finest improvements are found around the large public parks, and especially so when that park is on a HIGH eleva-tion. (Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Boston and Chicago illustrate this fact.)

This Property is Growing and must continue to grow in value, because it is the ONLY REASONABLE PRICED PROPERTY IN NORTHWEST WASHINGTON TODAY that has a high elevation and a CLEAN neighborhood,

A Study of Present Conditions will indicate what may be expected in this section. From U st. north is very HIGH ground, commanding a fine view of the National Capitol. This is the "8-story section" of this property; 48 new 3-story houses have already been built, WITH A COVENANT RUNNING WITH THE LAND THAT NOTHING BUT 3-STORY HOUSES SHALL BE ERECTED HERE.

Andrew Carnegie Says: "MORE FORTUNES ARE ACCUMULATED FROM THE RISE IN REAL ESTATE THAN ALL OTHER CAUSES COM-Here hinges the whole question of a wise

You Are Buying for Satisfaction. NOTHING BUT DISSATISFACTION AND LOSS results from buying in a depreciating neighborhood. Even in a neighborhood that in eighborhood. Even in a neighborhood that is at a "STANDSTILL" you are paying the TOP of the market for property that has "HAD ITS DAY," which means MANY PROFITS to past investors and NO FU-

#### There is no Comfort in Such an Investment.

THE QUESTION OF WHAT PROPERTY HAS A FUTURE IS A SIMPLE ONE. THE PEOPLE WHO MADE MONEY, and plenty of it, in COLUMBIA and WASHINGTON HEIGHTS were the ones who purchased it in its INFANCY, and SOLD OUT at the TOP of the market to the man who waited for a "sure thing." THE SAME PEOPLE WHO ORIGINAL-BOUGHT ON THE HEIGHTS ARE PURCHASING IN THIS SECTION TO

The N. Cap. st. cars will be running within one square of these houses by May 15. The 3d st. cars by June 1. THIS PROPERTY IS IN THE SAME CONDITION TODAY THAT COLUMBIA HEIGHTS WAS A FEW YEARS AGO. DO YOU KNOW OF ANY OTHER PROP-ERTY IN WASHINGTON THAT HAS SUCH PROSPECTS?

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From the Chicago News.

"Yes," replied the judge, "and found ft

that he had stolen some yellow 'composition metal' bearing from a stamp mill and melted up a fragment in a home-made clay crucible. In that way he produced his handsome nuggets. If he had put in the same amount of labor at the placers he could easily have washed out \$20 worth of gold. That's what I call a natural aptitude for crookedness."

"Have a cigar, judge," said the young lawyer. "By the way, did you ever try this